



U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

USCIS Reading Vocabulary Copy Sheets

The USCIS Reading Vocabulary Copy Sheets will help immigrants study for the English reading portion of the naturalization test.

The Copy Sheets:

- Contain all the words found in the reading portion of the test
- Provide extra reading and writing practice, particularly for those students with lower literacy skills
- Can be used in the classroom as an instructional tool for citizenship preparation
- Can be used as a resource for self-study

For Learners:

- Use these copy sheets to practice writing the vocabulary on your own.

For Teachers:

1. Make copies of the Vocabulary Copy Sheets for every student in your class.
2. Cut the sheets apart and choose specific words or phrases based on the topic or theme you are teaching in class that week.
3. Distribute the chosen words over a period of time as each topic is covered. This is good practice in creating and teaching a thematic lesson because it reinforces the exact words on the reading vocabulary list as they are introduced in each civics lesson.

For example, if you are teaching a lesson on George Washington, choose: **George Washington, Father of Our Country, President, first**, and so on, from the Reading Vocabulary list, and distribute those copy sheets to the students for practice that week. Additionally, select words from the Writing Vocabulary Copy Sheets such as **Washington, D.C., capital, Presidents' Day, February**, and so on. There is some overlap of the vocabulary on the USCIS Reading and Writing Copy Sheets; however, extra practice is beneficial for those students with lower literacy skills to build their confidence and language proficiency.

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